

## CLAIM AMENDMENTS

### IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application or previous response to office action:

1. (Currently Amended) A computer program method for driving a computer processor for use with a graphics display device and for graphically representing[[,]] and facilitating a user in configuring[[,]] automation equipment, ~~said the~~ automation equipment including a support having a plurality of receiving locations as well as a plurality of modules each capable of being coupled to the support in at least one of the receiving locations, the ~~method modules~~ comprising the steps of:

displaying on the display device images representative of the modules and permitting selection of displayed module images;

displaying a register dialog having a concealed register portion and a visible register portion; and

dragging from providing a drag procedure to the visible register portion of said register dialog to the concealed register of said register dialog and that automatically displaying moves said brings the concealed portion of said register in dialog to the foreground after a variable time interval, and displaying the contents thereof and displaying the originally visible register in the background can thus be seen.

2. (Currently Amended) The computer program method of claim 1, wherein ~~further comprising~~ the step of moving a mouse cursor over a register of the ~~the~~ [[a]] register dialog once a drop-and-drag action has been initiated, automatically moves ~~then~~ the register under the mouse cursor ~~is automatically moved~~ to the foreground.

3. (Currently Amended) The computer program method of claim 1, wherein the step of dragging ~~providing~~ moves the concealed register after a predetermined variable time interval.

4. (Currently Amended) The computer program method of claim 1, further comprising the step of making an ~~the~~ item visible ~~is initiated just~~ by locating the mouse over the register of the concealed registered dialog.

5. (Original) The computer program method of claim 1, is accomplished during a registered dialog in a single closed handling sequence.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Canceled)

8. (Canceled)

9. (Canceled)

10. (Canceled)

11. (Previously Presented) The computer program method of claim 1, wherein after a selection of a displayed module image all possible drop locations are marked up thereby indicating possible drop locations for the user.

12. (Previously Presented) The computer program method of claim 1, wherein the display device after a selection of a displayed module image marks up all possible drop locations thereby indicating possible drop locations for the user.

13. (New) A computer program method for driving a computer processor for use with a graphics display device and for graphically representing and facilitating a user's interaction with data stored in the computer, said program method comprising:

displaying on a display device a register dialog, said register dialog comprising an initial register displayed in the foreground wherein the data contents of said register are visible to the user, and at least one additional register displayed in the background whose data contents are not visible to the user,

dragging from the initial visible register to the at least one additional register displayed in the background, and

automatically, after a given period of time, displaying the data contents of the additional register in the foreground and displaying the initial register in the background to

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allow dropping into the at least one additional register which is now displayed in the foreground.